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Sully Historic Site Closes for Restorative Repairs

Sully Historic Site, in Chantilly, Virginia, will be closed for routine restorative maintenance of the dwelling house for approximately one month. The 18th century structure, the home of Northern Virginia's first representative to Congress, Richard Bland Lee, will be closed from January 1, 2003, through February 9, 2003. The grounds and outbuildings will be open for strolling and enjoying the season. This historic site is owned and operated by the Fairfax County Park Authority.

Sully will re-open on February 10, 2003, with a new exhibit in the East Wing of the house, featuring redware from the 18th century. The redware and slave-life exhibit will focus on kitchenware and serving pieces representing the utilitarian ceramics, which were used in the kitchens of our past. Related original redware fragments were found during the recent excavations of the Slave Quarter site at Sully. For further information regarding hours or details, please call 703-437-1794.

Sully is located on Route 28, one-quarter mile north of Route 50 and four miles south of the Dulles Toll Road.

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